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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,662,180
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,490,563
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,172,675
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 6,023,536
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 5,638,425
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 5,787,414

Documents (3), (5) and (6) were recently cited by the Examiner in an Office Action dated March 8, 2004 for U.S. Application No. 09/934,799 and documents (1), (2) and (4) were recently cited by the Examiner in an Office dated March 19, 2004 for U.S. Application No. 09/695,077.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

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